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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Paul GILSON et al. )  
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Application No.: 09/838,544 ) Group Art Unit: 3765  
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Filed: April 20, 2001 ) Examiner: Nerbun, Peter P.  
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For: AN EMBOLIC PROTECTION )  
SYSTEM )

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Quayle Action dated April 19, 2004, please amend this application as provided below.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 8 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 23 of this Amendment.